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SUBJECT: HONG KONG COMMUNIST PAPERS ON THE SECRETARY'S  
VISIT AND US-CHINA RELATIONS

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1. AN OCTOBER 23 TA KUNG PAO COMMENTARY ENTITLED  
"SINO-US RELATIONS AND THE PRINCIPLES OF THE SHANGHAI  
COMMUNIQUE". CONSITITUES THE ONLY COMMENTARY ON THE  
SECRETARY'S VISIT TO CHINA TO APPEAR, THUS FAR. IN  
PRC-OWNED NEWSPAPER IN HONG KONG. THE ARTICLE BEGINS  
BY NOTING THAT THIS IS THE SECRETARY'S 8TH VISIT TO  
CHINA AND MENTIONS HIS MEETING WITH MAO AND THE  
CHAIRMAN'S REQUEST THAT THE SECRETARY CONVEY HIS (MAO'S)  
REGARDS TO PRESIDNET FORD.

2. AFTER STATING THAT THE CONTENTS OF THE FOUR  
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MEETINGS BETWEEN THE SECRETARY AND PRC LEADERS HAVE NOT

BEEN REVEALED, THE COMMENTARY SUGGESTS THAT THE OCTOBER 22 BANQUET TOASTS PROVIDE A SILHOUETTE OF THE TALKS. IT THEN POINTS OUT THAT UNLIKE THE SECRETARY, FORTHCOMING VISIT TO CHINA, AND CONTRASTS THIS TREATMENT BY THE PRC LEADERS WITH STATEMENTS MADE DURING THE SECRETARY'S LAST VISIT. HOWEVER, HAVING MADE THIS POINT. IT ADDS THAT PERHAPS A COMMUNIQUE FOLLOWING THE KISSINGER DEPARTURE WILL PROVIDE DETAILS ABOUT THE FORD VISIT.

3. HIGHLIGHTING THE US AND PRC FOREIGN MINISTERS DIFFERING CHARACTERIZATION OF THEIR TALKS, THE COMMENTARY SUGGESTS THAT THE SECRETARY'S TREATMENT IS MORE POSITIVE THAN CHIAO'S. IT ALSO NOTES THAT AT THE FAREWELL BANQUET NEITHER CHIAO NOR THE SECRETARY MENTIONED HEGEMONISM BUT THAT BOTH REFERRED TO THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE.

4. AFTER STATNG THAT THERE ARE FUNDEMENTAL DIFFERENCES THAT CONTINUE TO EXIST BETWEEN THE US AND CHINA. THE ARTICLE POINTS TO HUANG HUA'S DENUNCIATION IN THE UN OF THE US'S SOUTH KOREAN POLICY WHILE THE SECRETARY WAS IN PEKING AS AN EXAMPLE. HOWEVER, IT ALSO ASSERTS THAT THERE ARE POINTS IN COMMON AND CONCLUDE BY REITERATING THAT THE KEY TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF SINO-US RELATIONS IS WHETHER OR NOT THE PRINCIPLE OF THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE ARE IMPLEMENTED.

5. IN ADDITION TO THE COMMENTARY ON OCTOBER 23 BOTH PRC-OWNED NEWSPAPERS IN HONG KONG HAVE ACCORDED PROMINENT FRONT-PAGE TREATMENT TO THE SECRETARY'S ACTIVITIES IN PKEING. THE TA KUNG PAO AND THE WEN WEI PAO BOTH FEATURE A PHOTGRAPH OF THE MAO-KISSINGER MEETING. GIVE HEADLINE TREATMENT TO THE TOASTS AT THE SECRETARY'S FAREWELL BANQUET AND PROVIDE A BRIEF REPORT ON THE TENG-KISSINGER MEETING.  
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